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Whereas, thirty years ago on September 24, 1978, Ricky Howard Nickelson took the hand of his beautiful bride, Paula Anne Frevert, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at the First Christian Church in Fulton, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that day, Ricky and Paula Nickelson have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include three children and their spouses, Clinton and Kelly Nickelson, Kristina and Brian Bernskoetter, and Jacob Nickelson; and two grandchildren who are on the way; and

Whereas, Ricky Nickelson is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a former police officer with the Fulton Police Department and the Columbia Police Department and as Vice President of Sales for Energy Power Management, Incorporated, in Fulton; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Paula Nickelson has further distinguished herself by earning a Master's degree and working in the Director's Office at the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, where she works on behalf of maternal and child health in Missouri; and

Whereas, Ricky and Paula Nickelson have also enjoyed recognition as high school sweethearts who now own their own farm affectionately called "The Patch", where they continue to nurture their loved ones; and

Whereas, Ricky and Paula Nickelson enjoy such hobbies and pastimes as photography, stained-glass, playing the drums for the Storyville Stompers, reading, and taking part in their younger son's baseball games; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Nickelson, residents of Fulton, will commemorate their Thirtieth Wedding Anniversary on September 24, 2008:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our hearty congratulations to Ricky and Paula Nickelson for their success in achieving thirty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Howard Nickelson.

Offered by Speaker Rod Jetton District No. 156

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4112, adopted September 11, 2008.